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## DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

## **NOTIFICATION**

The 12th June 2009

Subject—Constitution of Special Committee on Management of Hirakud Dam

No. 16917—FC-I-75/2008(Pt.)-WR.— Government after careful consideration have been pleased to form a Committee termed as "Special Committee on Management of Hirakud Dam" to review and suggest future measures for proper dam operation in such eventualities. The Committee may deliberate and decide on management of natural disaster in Orissa and suggest appropriate guidelines and action including construction of other dams. The release of Hirakud Dam is always guided by factors such as rainfall in the Upper and Lower catchment, the live storage capacity, dam safety, requirement for irrigation, power generation, etc. The proposed Committee will analyse the situation at the time of/before such eventualities and play the role of an advisory body.

## 2. The constituent members of the Committee are as follows:—

Engineer-in-Chief, Water Resources, D.O.W.R. ... Chairman

Engineer-in-Chief, P. & D., D.O.W.R. . . . Member

Chief Engineer and Basin Manager, ... Member

Lower Mahanadi Basin, Bhubaneswar.

Shri Sudhakar Patri, Ex-Chief Engineer, D.O.W.R. ... Member

Er. B. B. Singh Samanta, Ex-E.I.C., Water Resources ... Member

Chief Engineer & Basin Manager, ... Member-Secretary

Upper Mahanadi Basin, Burla.

- 3. The terms of reference of the Committee are as follows:—
  - (i) The Committee will meet on or before the flood or flood like situation in Mahanadi Basin.
  - (ii) The Member-Secretary of the Committee will take the permission of the Chairman to convene a meeting.
  - (iii) In case of exigencies, the Committee may carry out its proceedings through Video Conferencing or Tele-Conferencing.
  - (*iv*) The Committee may review the situation and suggest measures for smooth management of Hirakud Dam with an aim to minimize the impact of floods and flood like situations.
  - (v) The Committee may invite the members of the expert panel for Floods (D.O.W.R.) and/or any other expert in the field to participate in the deliberations.
  - (vi) The Committee may meet at least twice a year i.e. once during last week of August to first week of September and next during last week of October to review and assess the situation.
  - (vii) The Committee may discuss any other issue relating to control of flood in the Mahanadi Basin.

By order of the Governor
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Commissioner-*cum*-Secretary to Government